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BUSINESS METHOD

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Art Unit: 3628

Examiner: Pedro Kanof

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT: REQUEST TO DELETE INVENTOR

August 2, 2004

The applicant hereby requests correction of inventorship in the above-referenced application under 37 CFR \$1.48(b). Specifically, as per the enclosed signed and notarized assignment and declaration of David Smith, Smith should be removed from the application as an inventor, as all claims pertaining to Smith's contribution to the invention (16-21, 57) have been removed and replaced in the amendment submitted March 31, 2004.

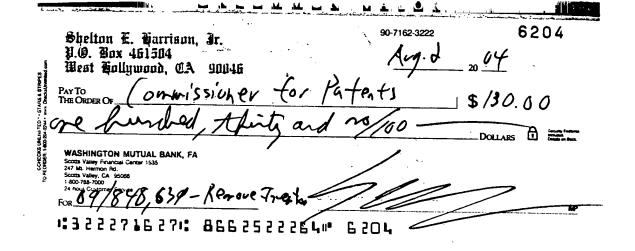
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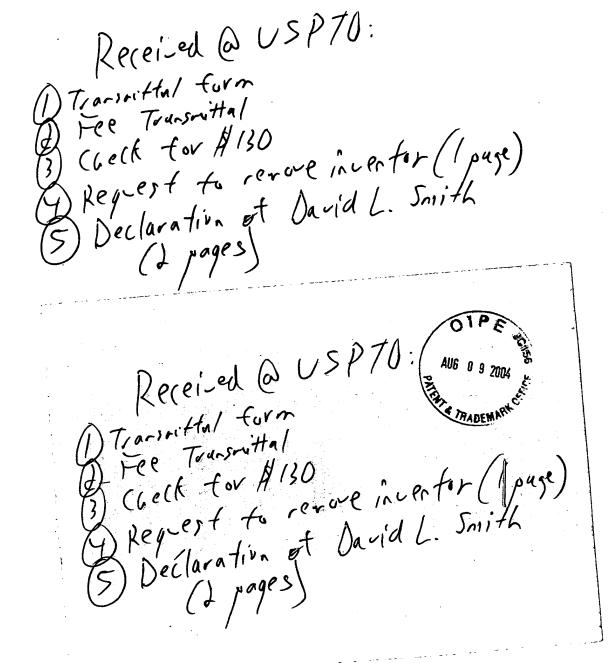
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Patent Assignment Agreement

## ASSIGNMENT OF INVENTION AND PATENT APPLICATION:

Sure-T L.L.C, David L. Smith, and Shelton E. Harrison, Jr.

Sure-T LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company with a principal place of business at One Embarcadero Center, Fifth Floor, San Francisco California 94111, and David L. Smith, an individual domiciled in Tiburon, California (hereinafter "Assignors"), are owners of the entire right, title, and interest in U.S. Patent Application Serial No 20010039524, (Serial No. 09/848,639), in the name of Shelton E. Harrison, Jr. and David L. Smith for "Flectronic Bond & Guaranty Process and Business Method", and the invention described therein.

For good and valuable consideration, namely execution and performance of the settlement agreement and release of which this patent application assignment agreement is attached and made a part thereof, and other good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignors hereby sell and assign to Shelton E. Harrison, Jr., (hereinafter Assignee), an individual domicited in California, and have cessors, and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest in the aforesaid Patent Application Serial No. 200100393 47 (Serial No. 09/848,639), and the invention described and claimed in it to be held and enjoyed by Assignee as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by Assignors if this assignment had not been made. Assignors further agree to promptly forward to Plaintiffs all documentation, communications or information pertaining to the Intellectual Property they receive during the first year after the execution of this Amendment.

DECLARATION OF FACTS: David L. Smith, named as a co-inventor in the above referenced Patent Application, hereby declares that his complete and sole inventive contribution with respect to the invention described in said Patent Application was the idea of repeatedly preauthorizing credit cards. Smith further declares and agrees that if all claims pertaining to cyclical credit card preauthorization are denied or removed from the Patent Application, or any continuations or divisions thereof, his name as an inventor must and shall be removed from the Patent Application or derivative application without further notice to or approval of Smith.

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